

Meeting Description: October Monthly GIS Users Group Meeting

Date: October 4, 2007 **Time:** 10:00 AM

Location: Michigan Center for Geographic Information, George W. Romney Building, 10th Floor, Large Conference Room

Attendees:

Bernie Skipper, USDA-NRCS

Cory Johnson, MDOT

David Slayton, DEQ

Everett Root, CGI

Joyce Newell, MDOT

Justin Booth, RSGIS

Larry Christenson, Aero-Metric

Michael Toth, MDOT

Rosemary Anger, Barry County LIS

Shannon Dara, CGI

Steve Aichele, USGS

Steve Stepek, KATS

Valdis Kalnins, Allegan County

Conference Update

- IMAGIN – May 5-7, 2008 – Dearborn, MI

Framework Update

Everett Root, CGI

1. CGI continues working on editing version 8 framework.
2. CGI has started working with CATA – Capital Area Transportation Authority.
 - a. CATA has shared their geography with us so that we may provide more features into our framework. Mostly Ingham County, but also parts of Eaton and Clinton.

- b. CGI is creating a map book for CATA drivers to carry with them.
- 3. CGI has received ACT 51 County changes from MDOT.

Ortho Update

Everett Root, CGI

- 1. CGI presented the 2009 flight plan at MiCAMP.
 - a. This will represent the area of the state that have not yet partnered.
 - b. There are tentative prices and more details to be worked out. CGI will present once the details are final.
- 2. Wexford County will soon be added as a partner in the Ortho Imagery Partnership.
- 3. Michigan Imagery Portal (MIP), MSU RSGIS is standing up a prototype server and ER Mapper Image web server software, CGI is testing the access to it with a variety of desktop clients within State Government.
 - a. We have used Internet Explorer and Firefox
 - b. We have also tested with .net online mapping development software.
- 4. We still have partnership opportunities available for those Counties that have flown until July 2008.

MDOT Update

Joyce Newell, MDOT

- 1. Our SPR funding applications were approved by FHWA.
- 2. Question came up regarding if tying in directly to the House/Senate database is possible.
 - a. Everett from CGI stated that John Clark may be able to help with that.

MDEQ Update

Dave Slayton, DEQ

- 1. DEQ is currently working on migrating our workstations through the MI-1 Implementation.

CGI Update

Everett Root, CGI

1. CGI has an application for DNR Parks Department called Parks IMA (Infrastructure Management Application).
 - a. Helps Park Manager have and log information for their parks.
 - b. This will be an improvement of the one that is currently running.
2. PR Finder II application is completed. It is still currently on the QA server.

Local/County Update

MSU/RS&GIS

Justin Booth

1. MSU has November training classes listed on their website at:
<http://www.rsgis.msu.edu/>.
2. MSU is working on a workshop for the week of December 10 regarding remote sensing for local government, will include lidar, and aerial imagery.
 - a. This is part of a grant through NASA to gain imagery accessibility for government.
 - b. The workshop will be free and more information will be provided at a later date.

Barry County

Rosemary Anger

1. We are currently working on the Thornapple watershed management project in anticipation of buying for 319 status.
 - a. Covers five counties.
2. We are supervising an intern that is working on storm waters within subdivisions.
3. We are waiting on the LUCA Registration materials as we have had troubles getting the information.

Allegan County

Valdis Kalnins

1. We are also having problems receiving our LUCA registration materials.
2. We have funds in our budget to work on Ortho acquisition partnership buy up with the State.
3. Cost of the acquisition has been divided up between Cost per Sq. Mile, SEV, and Population.
4. We continue to work on the FEMA floodplain map.

KATS

Steve Stepek

1. Our long-range plan is done.
2. Next year will include more touring in public involvement in technical assistance to our members as far as getting some of those out of the way projects done.

USDA-NRCS

Bernie Skipper

1. We have been under a major push to get as many soil survey certified and posted.
 - a. Michigan is complete including Alger, Schoolcraft, Ontonagon and Gogebic Counties.
2. The web soil survey website is up and current.

Federal Update

USGS

Steve Aichele

1. USGS has a new director.
2. USGS will be realigning some of the priorities to bring our spatial information closer to our actual science missions.

3. The primary focus for the next year or so will be the Gulf Coast for Hurricanes.
4. Elevation and Ortho's, goal is to have 10 meter Dems by the end of 2008 calendar year.
5. USGS is bringing 5 new jobs to Michigan
 - a. The Great Lakes are being split off from the Northeast into sub regions, which will include Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky, which will be run out of the Ann Arbor office.
 - b. Staff will include a Regional Executive and a small support staff, which will be located in the Ann Arbor office.
6. NDOP meeting October 16-18 at MSU.

Other

Aero-Metric

Larry Christenson

1. Attended the meeting in order to get reacquainted with the GIS members and what is happening in and around State Government.